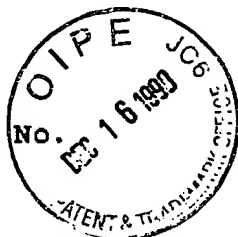


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that I acknowledge my duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Section 56 of the Code of Federal Regulations of the United States.

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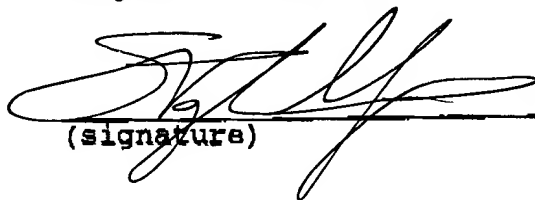
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